

**§ 197.484 Notice of casualty.**

(a) In addition to the requirements of subpart 4.05 of this chapter and 33 CFR 146.30, the person-in-charge shall notify the Officer-in-Charge, Marine Inspection, as soon as possible after a diving casualty occurs, if the casualty involves any of the following:

- (1) Loss of life.
- (2) Diving-related injury to any person causing incapacitation for more than 72 hours.
- (3) Diving-related injury to any person requiring hospitalization for more than 24 hours.
- (b) The notice required by this section must contain the following:
  - (1) Name and official number (if applicable) of the vessel or facility.
  - (2) Name of the owner or agent of the vessel or facility.
  - (3) Name of the person-in-charge.
  - (4) Name of the diving supervisor.
  - (5) Description of the casualty including presumed cause.
  - (6) Nature and extent of the injury to persons.
  - (c) The notice required by this section is not required if the written report required by § 197.486 is submitted within 5 days of the casualty.

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**§ 197.486 Written report of casualty.**

The person-in-charge of a vessel or facility for which a notice of casualty was made under § 197.484 shall submit a report to the Officer-in-Charge, Marine Inspection, as soon as possible after the casualty occurs, as follows:

- (a) On Form CG-2692, when the diving installation is on a vessel.
- (b) Using a written report, in narrative form, when the diving installation is on a facility. The written report must contain the information required by § 197.484.
- (c) The report required by this section must be accompanied by a copy of the report required by § 197.410(a)(9) when decompression sickness is involved.
- (d) The report required by this section must include information relating to alcohol or drug involvement as required by § 4.05-12 of this chapter.

(The reporting requirement in paragraph (a) was approved by OMB under control number 2115-0003)

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**§ 197.488 Retention of records after casualty.**

(a) The owner, agent, or person-in-charge of a vessel or facility for which a report of casualty is made under § 197.484 shall retain all records onboard that are maintained on the vessel or facility and those records required by this subpart for 6 months after the report of a casualty is made or until advised by the Officer-in-Charge, Marine Inspection, that records need not be retained onboard.

(b) The records required by paragraph (a) of this section to be retained on board include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) All logbooks required by § 197.480.
- (2) All reports required by § 197.402(a)(2)(ii), § 197.404(a)(4), § 197.410(a)(9).

(c) The owner, agent, person-in-charge, or diving supervisor shall, upon request, make the records described in this section available for examination by any Coast Guard official authorized to investigate the casualty.

**Subpart C—Benzene**

SOURCE: CGD 88-040, 56 FR 52135, Oct. 17, 1991, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 197.501 Applicability.**

(a) Except for vessels satisfying paragraph (b) of this section, this subpart applies to all Coast Guard inspected vessels, including tank ships and barges, that are carrying benzene or benzene containing liquids in bulk as cargo.

(b) This subpart does not apply to vessels that are carrying only liquid cargoes containing less than 0.5% benzene by volume.

(c) This subpart does not apply to vessels of foreign registry.

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